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NAACP BENEFIT TO FEATURE PAGEANT AND DANCE

Contestants, models and guests will dance to the dynamic sounds of T. McGee and the Rapid Pulsations at the NAACP sixth annual Fashion Pageant and Dance, November 17, 1973, from 10:00 PM until 2:00 AM at the Top of the Ocean.

A trophy will be presented by last years winner, Ms. Otelia Hamilton, to the sponsoring organization whose contestant wins first place. The trophy, designed with the figure of justice, symbolizes the NAACP's philosophy of justice and equality for all and the Tacoma communit's effort of working together to raise funds to finance NAACP programs.

Roses will be presented to the first, second and third place winners by Attorney Jack Tanner, President NAACP; Tom Dixon, Director Tacoma Urban League; and Jim Walton, Director Human Relations Commission. Contestants will also receive beautiful gifts donated by Tacoma businesses.

Contestants for this gala event are: Ms. Jeanne Brewster, Scottie Burgess, Katheryn Burton, Faye Crosky, Linda Dacus, Barbara Franklin, Diane Henderson, Jean Jordon, C. J. Ollee, Gloria Owens, Chris Reeder, Mable Roberts, Girtha Spivey, Faye Stewart and J. H. Wilson.

The latest in fashions for men will be presented by: Mssrs. Ed Lewis, Ray Giles, Phil Kitchen, Vernice Gayle, Bennie McGee, Harold Caffee, Ronald Floyd and Al Gray.

Judges for the event are: Sharon Johnson, Manager Mr. Roberts Beauty School and Modeling Agency; Leola Hill, Technical Instructor Bates Vocational School; Cornelia Floyd, Administrative Secretary Hilltop Social and Health Service; Harold Gamble, PLU Minority Affairs Coordinator and Judd Doughty, PLU TV Communications Professor. Harold Moss, Tacoma Councilman, will be host and commentator.

Local Lady Enlist in Navy

OATH OF ENLISTMENT -- Susan C. Roberts (center) is given the Navy oath of enlistment recently in ceremonies held at Northwest Navy Recruiting headquarters in Bellevue, Wa. She was given the enlistment oath November 5 by her father, retired Air Force Lieutenant Colonel Leroy Roberts, Jr., as her mother looked on. Miss Roberts enlisted in the Navy's Woman Officer Program, and is only of only eight women selected nationwide this year for the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Ga.
(Navy Photograph by PH1 J. A. Davidson)

Susan C. Roberts, 21, daughter of retired Air Force Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Leroy Roberts Jr., of 2119 North Monroe, Tacoma, enlisted in the U. S. Navy in ceremonies held in Bellevue November 5. She was given the oath of enlistment by her father.

Miss Roberts is one of only eight women selected nationwide this year for the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Ga.

Entering the Navy's Woman Officer Program, she will start the nineteen and one-half week Officer Candidate School in Newport, R. I. in January.

Officer Candidate School includes instruction in naval orientation, damage control, seapower, piloting, seamanship, communicative skills, division officer management, discipline administration, management information systems, military justice, drill and leadership.

Following completion of the school, Miss Roberts will be commissioned Ensign in the U. S. Navy. She will then receive six months additional training at the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Ga., before reporting to the fleet for her first duty assignment as a Navy supply officer.

She is a graduate of Stadium High School and graduated in June 1973 from the University of Puget Sound. While in college she was a member of Phi Chi Theta (National Fraternity for Women in Business), the Newman Club and was a varsity cheerleader. She is a former employee of People's National Bank in Tacoma.

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Happy Thanksgiving

In celebration of Thanksgiving--which is next Thursday--The Tacoma FACTS is giving you a sort of early Thanksgiving gift: next week's edition of the paper will be published on TUESDAY rather than Thursday. In order to accomplish this, the deadline for submitting news will be SUNDAY for this week only. Also, the FACTS office will be closed on Thursday and Friday.

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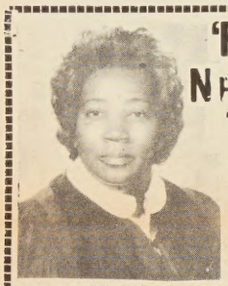

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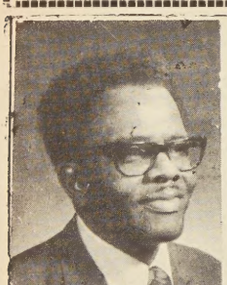

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When a thing is done, it's done. Don't look back. Look forward to your next objective.
Gen. George C. Marshall

Allen AME Church Celebrate 23rd Anniversasy

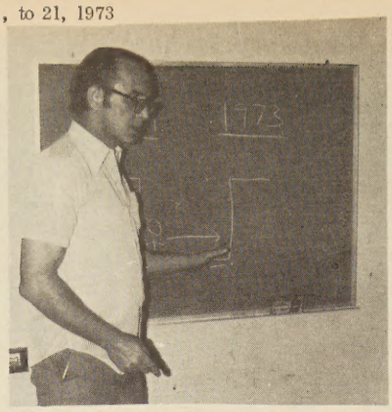
The pastor and members of Allen African Methodist Church are planning the church's 83rd anniversary.

The anniversary begins Monday night, November 19th, with an all Men's program. Wednesday night, November 21, is Women's night, the theme is "Our Sufficiency is of God." Speaker for the evening is Mrs. Lois Bradford. Friday evening, November 23rd is Youth night, featuring the 30 voice youth choir of Allen.

The highlight of the program is Sunday, November 25th when the captains will give their financial report.

The program will begin each evening at 7:30 PM.

Reverened U. S. Carr is pastor. The public is invited.



RON LINCOLN explains that the man coming from prison has many negative experiences and cannot adjust to society without help.

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Urban League Guild

With a memorandum from the National Affiliates to generate a need for an Urban League Guild a group of women in Tacoma formed a nucleus to explore the feasibility of such a group.

After numerous meetings, both local, regional, and national, these women under the leadership of Willie Mai Johnstone resolved to give their support to the Tacoma Urban League Guild. Thus the Urban League was born, joining the sixtynine other Urban League Guilds around the country.

The Tacoma Guild will be the first to organize in the Pacific Northwest. The first Urban League Guild was organized in 1942 by Mollie Moon in New York City, its purpose was to render service disigned to extend Public understanding and support of the National Urban League and its programs. Principal concerns of Urban League Guild are in the area of interpretation, leadership development and fund raising.

The council of Guilds, The Urban League staff, National, regional and local, provide leadership and technical assistance to Urban League Guilds.

Elected officers to be installed on Nov. 18, 1973 are at the Tacoma Motor Hotel:

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by: Ted Jefferson

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A-- Yes.

Q-- My husband died June 27, 1973, after the National Cemeteries Act became law. The VA paid $250 burial allowance, but when I asked for the extra $150 recently authorized, I was told he was not eligible. Can you verify that?

A--The $150 plot or interment allowance is payable for deaths on and after Aug. 1, 1973. Although Public Law 43 was enacted June 18, 1973, some provisions became effective on later dates.

Q-- World War II veterans are still eligible for GI Bill loans. Does the same eligibility extend to schooling benefits?

A-- The War II GI Bill education program ended July 25, 1956. That deadline was not removed or eligibility restored as it was for the loan program.

Q-- During my military service I developed a stomach condition which has bothered me quite a lot lately. I've been out of service for three years. Can I still apply for VA disability compensation?

A-- There's no deadline for filing a claim for service-connected disability. If approved, it will be effective now, not retroactive to date of discharge.

Address all questions concerning veterans to: Tacoma Veterans Action Center, 1301 South "K" Street, Tacoma, Washington 98405
TEL: 383-4008

Workshop on Disabled Children

A Public workshop concerning children who appear intelligent to parents and at school, but who are having learning problems, is being held at 9:15 a.m. Saturday, November 17, in Rooms 201-202 of Howarth Hall, University of Puget Sound.

This day-long workshop, sponsored by Intermediate School District No. 111, the Pierce County Chapter of the Washington Association for Children with Learning Disabilities, and the local Associate Special Education Instructional Materials Center of Clover Park, is directed to parents and professionals who may be concerned with children exhibiting dyslexia. This is a language disability which will not allow the student to acquire the skills in reading spelling and writing that are equal to his level of intelligence.

The child may have language problems, arithmetic disabilities, poor memory, or be slow to finish work or organize it properly, or have a very short attention span.

Blanche LeBlanc will give information on early identification of these students and a team consisting of Maxine Van Nostrand and Robert Stolte will explore and demonstrate Motor Perceptual Readiness.

For further information, call Beth Willis at the Intermediate School District No. 111 office, SK 2-3563.

New Covenant Tabernacle Thanksgiving Dinner

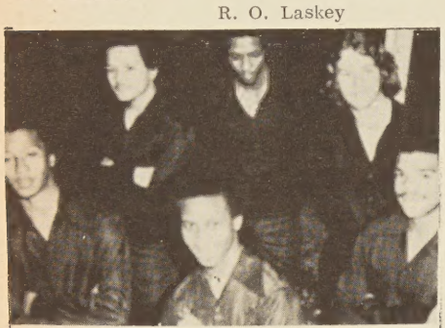
On Thanksgiving to the Glory of God and His mercy, for He has supplied us with great abundance. The Pentacostal New Covenant Tabernacle at 2156 So. Kay Street invites those without friends or relatives, the military, students, or Senior citizens and others to share dinner with us Thanksgiving Day at 2 - 5 pm, November 22, 1973

"What so ever you do unto others, you also do unto Me"
"I was without clothes and you clothed me. I was without food and you fed me." We welcome you!

SOULFUL REVIEW ENTERTAINMENT

Although we had a rainy weekend but the local bands had a record turn-out. --"The Jonah s Whale Show" -- were packing them in at the Fort Lewis N.C.O. Club, Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun, and Mon. Will close out Wednesday and journey to Mariner Club, Bremerton for a week engagement--Then to the Show Biz in Seattle for a week beginning November 21, Thru 25th, 1973--Charles & The Entertainers played to a packed house at the Poplars Restuarant, Silverdale Wash. for the Bremerton NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Banquet and Dance. The group will also play for the Seattle Branch NAACP Dance November 17th in Seattle, Wash.---Asante performed at the Western Washington College, Bellingham, Wash., Friday Nov. 9th. UJAMAA Culture and Recreation Center will resume giving dances if they get the support of the Community--And again our local radio station D-J's KTOY are doing a find job--stay tuned to KTOY and pick-up the latest in news and Soul Sounds!

R. O. Laskey



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Letters have been mailed to all whose addresses that could be obtained.

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The target date is the middle of August 1974 to coincide with "Expo 74' at Spokane, Wash.

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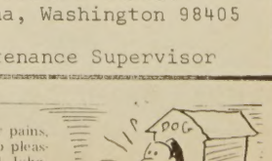

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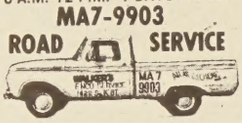

TACOMA MODEL CITIES PROGRAM

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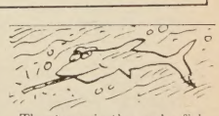

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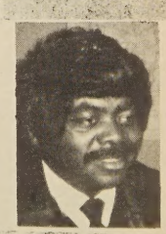

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Determeniation Builds Park

THE PARK at Sheridan and 25th has been graded. Work on the park could be completed sooner if the community would seed the property

PETE RASMUSSEN looks at plans which he and Del Hobbs drew. The firm of Jacobson and Wall has donated its services.

Tacoma has the beginnings of a new park thanks to the determination of men like Pete Rasmussen.

Pete is a partner in the architectural firm of Jacobson/Wall & Partners.

Last spring, the firm was invited, along with several other architects, to submit plans for a Model Cities mini-park at 25th and Sheridan. Pete and another partner Del Hobbs began developing plans for an open-space park which they submitted to the City for consideration.

The Jacobson/Wall plans were accepted by the City, and everything seemed to be going smoothly. Suddenly the road got rough as the plans were bounced around in a dispute between general architects and landscape architects.

Pete explained that his firm is not technically a landscape architectural firm, even thought Norm Wall has a degree in landscape architecture. According to a current interpretation of regulations, only licensed landscape architects can design parks. Pete said that the problem should be resolved soon, but that didn't help the immediate problem.

The City could not award a contract for designing the park to Jacobson/Wall because of the dispute.

"We decided to donate our services. We thought we had the best design, and the City must have thought so too because they choose our proposal. Rather than let the park die, we donated our services," Pete said. The donation is worth about $1,400.

"The park is a neighborhood thing, meeting a community need. As it turned out, without our cooperation, there wouldn't have been enough money to do any development,' Pete added.

Preservation of the natural beauty is the goal of Pete's and Del's design for the 95' by 135' park. "We have taken what was there and improved it. All of the good trees and plants have been left. It will be a place to use your imagination--for relaxing, playing King of the Mountain, or whatever you can dream up,' Pete explained.

The plans include a walkway meandering through the park with two rest areas surrounded by benches. The only other man-made objects imposed upon the natural preserve are lights along the path and a drinking fountain. Grass and additional trees will be planted.

Now the big problem is money to complete the development. Most of the Model Cities funds have been exhausted, and Pete estimated completion of the work will cost about $14,000.

Now that the land is cleared and graded, it needs to be seeded with grass. As long as the lot is seeded it can still be used. All we need is to get some seed and get the neighborhood together to rake the lot. I will help rake and plant seed," Pete said.

The future of the mini-park is uncertain, but with determination like Pete's, Tacomans can look for a new park to be completed soon.

MODEL CITIES NEWS

Prisons Don't Change Men

Prisons seldom help men or women change into people who can live peaceably in society. Ron Lincoln is an exception.

He is a resident and a counselor at Progress House, a Model Cities funded halfway house for ex-convicts. Ron was sent to a reformatory at 14 and continued to get into trouble until he was 37 and confined to Walla Walla Penitentiary on a drug conviction.

"When I went in, I considered prison as an occupational hazard. Then I realized there was no way out of the trap, so I decided to do something about it," Ron said.

Ron began working with the prison psychologist with mental health cases. He also started taking classes earning 120 hours of college credit in one year. Discovering a deep satisfaction working with mental health problems, Ron began working 16 hours a day with the psychologist.

Ron said that he had been working for 30 hours straight one time. As he worked on some reports, Ron saw a large shadow creep over his desk. Looking up he saw a homicidal maniac leaning over his desk.

The large man snapped, ' I've got something to say to you."

Ron tried to look the man straight in the face even though he felt like running.

"I like you," the man said. "Us nuts have a way of getting along together."

Another time a man was brought to the prison who would only grunt at people. Ron asked if he could try to communicate with the man. Taking a chair, Ron sat in front of the man s cell for three hours listening to the grunts acting like he understood what the man was saying. Finally, the man got tired and began talking to Ron. Three months later he would talk to other people.

Ron said, "I was offered drugs once after I was in. I refused. Then I realized that it had been 18 months since I had had a fix. I had learned to solve my problems another way."

Prison encourages criminal behavior for most men, according to Ron. He said that a man coming from prison is a triple negative. The original crime was a negative experience; being sent to prison is also negative; and the time spent in prison only makes the man bitter, the third negative.

"I knew a man who had been in 24 years. All he could think about was getting a pistol when he got out. I tried to help him, and when I left he was in his second year of college. His whole outlook had changed," Ron said.

At Progress House, the staff realizes that men coming from prison have these negative attitudes. That is why 70 per cent of them return to prison. Only 7 per cent of the men going through Progress House return to prison.

"We try to get the men to relax at first by showing him the family atmosphere. Then we try to get him to set down roots in work, church, family, and so on," Ron added.

He said that ex-convicts have counterfeit relationships with people. They say they will do one thing, then they do something else. Ron said that Progress House encourages men to get into situations that require genuine relationships with people.

The counseling and home don't help everyone. "We could probably write 12 books about our mistakes," Ron admits.

Ron also admits that the house has had some rought times. During the 15 months before Model Cities funded the project, the house existed from day to day.

Ron said that there was no food in the house one time. House Director the Rev. Leo Brown had exhausted every source of funding he knew. Some of the residents came into Rev. Brown's office with a solution. They were going to rob a bank. Quickly Rev. Brown said, "It's 2 o' clock now. If we don't have any food by 4, we will rob a bank." He got busy and found the food before 4 o'clock.

Ron said that he has learned a lot from Rev. Brown. "He has taught me that a man without a spiritual background is not complete."

Ron is an exceptional man. He realized that he was trapped and turned his life around. Now he is helping other straighten out their lives.

Awarness Can Be Entertaining

Sometimes learning is painful, but Senior Citizens Awareness Day will be an opportunity for everyone to learn about senior citizens and be entertained at the same time.

Congressman Floyd V. Hicks will be the main speaker with Mayor Gordon N. Johnston and other local officials making short statements.

Variety describes the entertainment which begins at 1:30 p.m. on Nov. 18, in the University of Puget Sound Field House. Una Arnold, from the Tacoma Housing Authority, will play the dulcimer, an instrument popular among folk artists which is disappearing from America. Lakewood seniors will dance and Puyallup seniors will present a Roaring '20s program. The Wright Park seniors band will play and the Model Cities Swiss bell chorus will do several numbers.

The second annual Senior Citizens Awareness Day is again being sponsored by the Model Cities Senior Citizens Center. Director Bertie Edwards said, "Last year we wanted to make the City aware of us. This year we want to show the area what seniors can do. Too many people think you are done when you become a senior.'

Representatives from various seniors organizations will have display booths to show the community the activities of seniors and the services available to them. Organizations represented will include Model Cities Senior Citizens Center, First Methodist Center, Eastside Center, Pierce County Council on Aging, Lakewood Center, Department of Human Development, City Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Tacoma Housing Authority, and Pierce County Senior Services groups from Puyallup, Midland, Milton, Spanaway, Parkland, Summit, and a mobile services unit.

Admission to the awareness day is free and the public is invited.

Workshop Children with Learning Disabilities

Model Cities Director Keith Palmquist told the Executive Board that the contract for the Municipal Authority, public corporation for housing, would be considered by the City Council this Tuesday.

The corporation will provide loans and grants for home rehabilitation. Working with the Housing Development Program, the housing projects expect to repair numerous homes in the Model Neighborhood.

The director reported that the Neighborhood Development Program may have some funds for improvements to the mini-park at 25th and Sheridan. Some construction costs have been more than expected, and the project had thought that funds for landscaping and the park would have to be reduced. Whether or not funds are available depends upon the cost of electrical bids yet to be accepted. Other funds may be available to complete the work which is estimated at $25,000.

Palmquist said that he should know how much reprogramming funds will be available after the first of the year. He recommended that any proposals be considered after the first of the year when the amount of money available is known. The amount of funds available will depend upon whether the City Council votes a pay raise for city employees next year.

The director also announced that the Public Defender project will be operating from the law office of Hugh Fountain at 730 S. Fawcett until space is available in the former Doctors Hospital.

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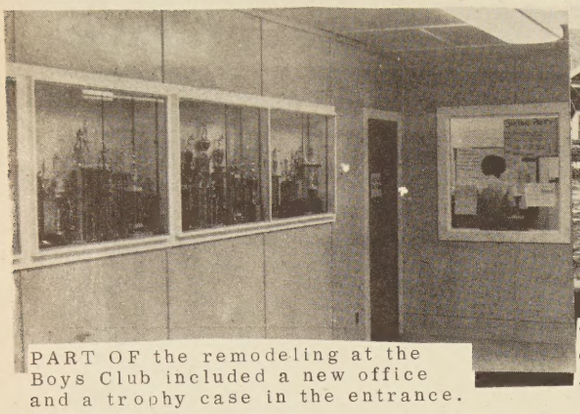

PART OF the remodeling at the Boys Club included a new office and a trophy case in the entrance.

THE HILLTOP Day Care Center was one of the early rehabilitation projects of Model Cities.

A SMALL COUNTRY church was having money problems. Yet at a meeting of the deacons it was proposed to give the pastor a long overdue increase in salary. The preacher, however, opposed the idea.

"Brothers," he said, "I don't want you to raise my salary anymore. I'm having too much trouble raising what you are already paying me."

Board to Tour Rehabilitation Projects

The Model Cities Executive Board will tour some of the rehabilitation projects in the Model Neighborhood on Nov. 29.

The tour is being arranged to acquaint some of the new board members with the Model Neighborhood area and to show the board some of the physical improvements in the area. Within the past year Model Cities has had several projects including the Hilltop Day Care Center, the Downtown Boys Club, the Malcolm X Youth Center, Ferry Park, Ujamaa Culture and Recreation Center, and the mini-park at 25th and Sheridan.

The board has rescheduled its regular meeting from the 22nd to the 29th because of Thanksgiving. The board will take the tour after a brief meeting.

In other action, the board voted to deduct any additional expenses for auditing the Minority Contractors project from the project's budget.

CITY LIGHT employees hook up the electricity for the restrooms at Ferry Park.

Explorers Tell about Summer

Three winners of Model Cities Exploration Scholarships will tell about their experiences working on scientific exploration projects this summer.

Alice Mumford helped excavate a colonial settlement in St. Marys, Md., and Dorinda Raglind and Rodney Rogers did research in marine biology at Little Pleasant Bay, Mass.

The three will be seen on "Turned On" at 7:30, November 15, on Channel 6 TelePrompTer (cable television). The show focuses on youth and is sponsored by Tacoma Model Cities, Tacoma Public Schools, and TelePrompTer as a public service.

SENIOR CITIZENS AWARENESS DAY

NOV. 18, 1:30 p.m.
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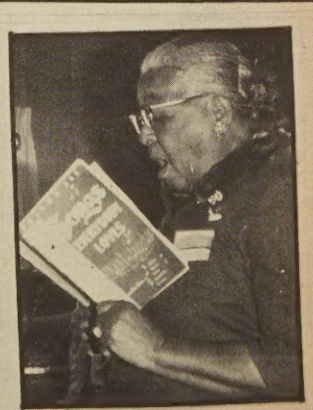
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